



Guaje Pines Cemetery Updates & Master Plan

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History of Guaje Pines Cemetery

- In the 1950s, Los Alamos was still a government entity, and there was no cemetery for burials if someone died.
- Los Alamos established Guaje Pines Cemetery in the late 1950s after nearly 20 years without one.
- Designed as a garden-style cemetery for local residents, it was named for its peaceful setting below Guaje Ridge.



Cemetery Ordinance Update

Overview:

- Updated in 2024 (previously in 2018)
- Clarifies policies for Guaje Pines Cemetery
- Outdated items were removed
- Authorizes Community Services Director to set Cemetery Policies
- Burial and disinterment procedures clarified



Updated Fee Structure

Resident/Non-Resident fees

- Resident and non-resident rates

Simplified Burial Packages

- Streamlined into one inclusive package.
- Miscellaneous fees address replacements, liners or grave openings.

Infant Burial Policy

- Fees waived for residents burying children under 6 years of age.

Guaje Pines Cemetery Fee Structure / Effective January 1, 2025

Guaje Pines Fees (Fees approved by County Council 11/12/2024)		Resident Fee	*Non-Resident Fee
SALE OF BURIAL AND NICHE SPACES			
SPACES	Adult Burial Plot	\$1,500	\$2,500
	Infant Burial Plot**	\$500	\$1,500
	Urn Burial Space	\$1,000	\$2,000
	Columbarium Niche	\$1,000	\$2,000
BURIAL SERVICE (PLACEMENT OF REMAINS/CREMAINS)			
BURIAL	In Ground: Adult, Infant**, Urn	\$1,500	\$2,500
	Columbarium Niche	\$600	\$1,600
DISINTERMENT FEES			
DISINTERMENT & REINTERMENT	Adult, Infant, Urn Burial Plot	\$600	\$600
	Columbarium Niche	\$300	\$300
MISCELLANEOUS FEES			
FEES	Grave Opening Only	\$600	\$600
	Grave Liner Only	\$450	\$450
	Marker Setting Fee	\$350	\$350
	Niche vase replacement	\$75	\$75
	2nd niche marker or replacement marker	\$350	\$350

*Non-Resident Fee = Out of State purchase as outline in the Guaje Pines Cemetery Policy and Procedures

**Infant plot/burial fee will be waived for infants under 6 years of age for residence.

Cemetery Master Plan Consultants

Sloane Consulting Group, Stephanie Sloane
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Cemetery Master Plan

- Site Analysis and Existing Conditions/Accessibility
- Evaluation of Existing Spaces
- Sustainability/Irrigation
- Signage
- Potential Expansion
- Indigent Burial/Green Cemetery Options
- Memorial Benches and Memorial Wall



Cemetery Master Plan Timeline

March 25-28: Guaje Pines Initial Site Visit

Monthly Meetings: Second Friday

April 21 - May 30: Community Survey/Initial Public Listening Session

May: Market Overview and Site Opportunities Plan

June: Conceptual Plans and Public Meetings

June: Draft Plan

July - August: Complete Master Plan (with Board Approval)





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